

## House Resolution No. 3687

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, Irene Reece of Thayer, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninety-sixth Birthday with a special celebration on June 9, 2005; and

**Whereas**, on June 13, 1909, in Gainesville, God brought a special gift to Joe and Mamie (Jefferys) Cain with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Irene, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

**Whereas**, while celebrating her birthday, Irene Reece will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as being married to Virgil D. Griggs, finding love a second time when she wed Dan Reece, and raising two children; and

**Whereas**, God has blessed Irene Reece with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include two sons, Vic Griggs and Randolph Griggs; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Irene Reece further distinguished herself as a cook at the State Hospital in St. Joseph; and

**Whereas**, Irene Reece has enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the past ninety-six years, a few of which include crocheting, reading westerns, collecting buttons, and bowling; and

**Whereas**, at the respectable age of 96, Irene Reece is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Irene Reece at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Irene Reece, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Dethrow  
District No. 153

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3687, adopted June 9, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker